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Dear Mr. Clark:

On behalf of the Washington Association of Conservation Districts and its forty-seven member districts, I would like to request support from the Conservation Commission for implementing our annual meeting program. We are requesting **\$15,000** to assist with the costs of training support for supervisors and professional speaker fees.

The theme of this year's meeting is "Investing in Tomorrow." Financial assistance from the Conservation Commission will enable us to provide an unparalleled program that will not only build district capacity, but will educate, motivate, and inspire district supervisors and employees from around the state to maximize the potential of their local districts.

Key partners already committed to share information on natural resource conservation and protection includes: Washington State Departments of Agriculture, Ecology, and Natural Resources, Puget Sound Action Team, Oregon Association of Conservation Districts, WSCC, NACD, NRCS, WADE, along with other natural resource professionals from around the country.

"Land Use, Society, the Individual, and Conservations Districts", "Grant Contract Development", "Assessment Issue Updates", "Landowner Agreements", "Living on the Land – Stewardship for Small Acreages", and "Personnel Management/Effective Reviews" are just a few of the issues to be addressed at the conference.

Thank you in advance for your support of our endeavor, and of the conservation of natural resources throughout the State of Washington.

Sincerely,

John Larson, Executive Director
Washington Association of Conservation Districts